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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 32, line 10:

This can be achieved if $X \le P/m$, wherein X represents a deviation in the main scanning direction of one nozzle in an arbitrary nozzle array from another nozzle in a nozzle array nearest in the main scanning direction, m is an integer and P represents a pitch between the adjacent nozzles in one nozzle array. In the ink-jet recording head configured in this way, it is possible to align the nozzles projected in the sub-scanning direction at the highest aligning density.